THORPE, OLYMPIC HERO, MAKES FULL CONFESSION THAT HE IS A PROFESSIONAL

American Athletic Authorities Apologize to Sweden and All Other Countries for Allowing Indian to Compete at International Games at Stockholm.

IM THORPE'S confession that he is a professional and that he was a professional at the time he competed for the United States in the international amateur Olympic games at Stockholm last summer, is one the biggest sensations in the history of ath' ties. The prompt apology of he American Olympic Committee lessens the force of the blow and in a

sportsmanlike way evens up the sit-

announcement to-day as to its find- THORP SIGNS WITH ing in its investigation into the status of the Indian, and that he came forward himself and confessed that he is a professional makes this action unnecessary.

glory he won on the amateur field—
and that includes more honor than
ever fell to the lot of any athlete in
the world. He not only is a wonderafter which Thorpe sontinued to take ful football and baseball player, but he can do all sorts of record-breaking the Bedekin's great drawing power, siunts in every other branch of sport.

Thorpe won both the Decathlon Pitteburg club only landed Thorpe

to any one concerned, as there are

many of his name. The reason why

he himself did not give notice of his acts is explained by him on the ground of ignorance. In some justification of this position, it should be noted that Mr. Thorpe is an Indian of limited experience and education in the ways of other than his own people.

The American Olympic Committee and the Amateur Afhietic Union feel that while Mr. Thorpe is deserving of the severest condemnation for concealing the fact that he had professionalized himself by receiving money for playing baseball, they also feel that those who knew of his professional acts are deserving of still greater censure for their allence.

The American Olympic Committee and the Amateur Athletic Union

and the Amsteur Athletic Union tender to the Swedish Olympic Committee and through the International Olympic Committee to the nations of the world, their apology for having entered Mr. Thorpe and having persecuted him to be a supplementation of the world, their apology for having entered Mr. Thorpe and having persecuted him to be a supplementation of the supplement

mitted him to compete at the Olympic Games of 1912. The Amateur Athletic Union regrets

that it permitted Mr. Thorpe to com-pete in amateur contests during the past several years, and will do every-

thing in its power to secure the re-turn of prizes and the readjustment of points won by him, and will imme-

diately eliminate als records from the books.

President Amateur Athletic Union and Vice-President of American Olympic Committee.

JAMES E. SULLIVAN.

JAMES E. SULLIVAN,
Chairman National Registration
Committee, Secretary Amateur Athlette Union and Secretary American Olympic Committee.
BARTOW S. WEEKS,
Chairman Legislation Committee
A. A. U. and Vice-President American Olympic Committee.
Dated New York City,
Jan. 27, 1912 (Signad)

Jan. 27, 1913 (Signed)

GUSTAVUS T. KIRBY.

sed the Pentathion events in the meet at Stockholm and this earned for him after spirited bidding with other big praise from every quarter of the globe. The King of Sweden upon tensering Thorpe the bronze bust for winning the Pentathion, said: "You, sir, are the greatest athlete in the world."

Thorpe also was presented a bandsome Viking ship, the prize tendered HIRSCH NO MATCH fessionals. let alone having played with or as one of them. The widest possible publicity was given the team selected by the American Olympic Committee, and the Caar of Russia for winning the

Not only will these prises be taken way from the Fox and Sac Indian, but bo'll have to return all the amateur ng the National A. A. U. mampionship: which he won fast fall.

It is now also charged against Thorpe

that last fall he signed with the

Pirates of the National legue to day first base for them this season ey Dreyfuss, President of the team being asked whether this report se true, refused to make any state

HORPE in his confession declares
that he didn't know it was wrong
to play professional ball and comte in amateur athletics at the same
as he says that there were several r prominent college athletes doing Thorpe tell just what college men layed ball with him, for the sooner that the amateur ranks are free of such athtes the better it will be for the game a slight difference in the standing of the nations at the Olympic meet. Hower, it isn't hig enough to cause Amer-a to less the credit of winning first

When Thorpe returns his Olympic the Viking ship will be turned F. R. Bie of Norway, who finished second in the pentathion, will receive the bust of the King of Sweden.

John Bredemus of Princeton will also make by Thorpe's disgrace, as he fin-ished second to the great Carlisle ath-late in the all-around championships at Caldo Park last September. On that oc easion the big redskin piled up 7.476 The first intimation that Thorpe was

onal came from Charles Plancy of Southbridge last Thursday his management in the Carolina League two years ago. The following day he

His denial was hardly cold when players and umpires from other parts of the country came forward and said that Thorpe who played in the Southern minor league and the athlete who car-ried off the supreme honors abroad last fore the Amateur Athletic Union could spe's case Glen Warner, the Carlife coach, came here and handed to James E. Sullivan, Secretary-Treasurer of the A. A. U., Thorpe's confession.

FTER considering the matter for A several hours the A. A. U. office gave out the following statement be American Olympic Committee selected James Thorpe as one of the members of the American Olympic team, and did so without the least suspicion as to there having ever teen any act of professionalism on

Thorpe's part.

For the past several years Thorpe has been a member of the Carilale Indian School, which is conducted by the Government of the United States at Carisle, Pa., through the Indian Department of the Department of the Interior.

Mr. Glenn Warner, formerly of Camelia and whose reputation is

Mr. Glenn Warner, formerly of Cernell, a man whose reputation is of the 'Lifhes; and whose accuracy of sixtement has never been doubted, has been in charge of the athletic activities of the institution. During the period of Mr. Thorpa's memoership at Carlisto he competed on its sorball, baseball and track and field beens, and represented it in intercellegiate and other contests, all of which were open only to amateurs, on neither Carlisie nor any of the assitutions with which it competes has other than amateur teams. Thorpe's standing as an amateur bad sever heen questioned, nor was any pretest ever made against him see any statement ever made as to be own having practised with pro-



SOME OTHER WELL-KNOWN "AMATEURS" WILL GET BUSY

FOR JOHNNY DUNDEE

Local Boxer Just Prepared for Kilbane Go in Final Home Bout.

American Olympic Committee, and it seems strange that men having knowledge of Mr. Thorpe's professional conduct did not at such time for the honor of their country come forward and place in the hands of the American committee such information as they had.

No such information was given, nor was a suggestion even made as to Thorpe being other than the amateur which he was supposed to be. This country is of such tremendous territorial expanse, and the athletes taking part therein are so numerous, that it is sometimes extremely difficult to ascertain the history of an athlete's past. In the selection of the American team the committee endeavored to use every Dundee, the clever little east side boxer, in action again it may be that he'll have the tilte of featherweight champion attached to his name, for his bout against committee endeavored to use every possible precaution, and where there was the slightest doubt as to a Special Delivery Hirsch of Chicago, at was the slightest doubt as to a man's amateur standing, his entry was not considered.

Thorpe's act of professionalism was in a aport over which the Amateur Athletic Union has no direct control; it was as a member of a baseball team in a minor lesgue, and in games which were not reported in the important papers of the country. That he played under his own name would give no direct notice to any one concerned, as there are the Olympic A. C. was his last until after his champlenship contest with Johnny Kilbene at Los Angeles on April 5. Dundee and his manager, Scotty Monteith, plan to leave for the coast at

to see the "getaway" battle. Hirsch was easy for the Italian lad from start to finish, the fifth round being the only one that was in his favor. Abe Attell is now manager of Hirsch and he was in his corner showering him with words of advice, but this didn't nent all the way and at times scored so often that the Windy City lad was nearly all in when the bell clanged.

Thorpe's Confession

United States Indian Service, Carilsie, Pa., Jan. 26, 1913.

James E. Sullivan, New York, N. Y.: Dear Sir-When the interview with Mr. Clancy stating that I had played baseball on the Winston-Salem team was shown me I told Mr. Warner that it was not true, and in fact I did not play on that team. But so much has been said in the papers since then that I went to the school authorities this morning and told them just what there was in the stories.

I played baseball at Rooky Mount and at Fayetteville, N. C., in the sum-

mer of 1900 and 1910 under my own name. On the same teams I played with were several college men from the North who were earning money by ballplaying during their vacations and who were regarded as amateurs at home. I did not play for the money there was in it, because my property brings me in enough money to live on, but because I liked to play bail. I was not very wise to the ways of the world and did not realize that this was wrong and it would make me a professional in track sports, although I learned from I was playing, and for that reason I never told any one at the school about

In the fall of 1911 I applied for readmission to this school and to continue my studies and take part in the school aports, and of course wanted to get on the Olympic team and take the trip to Stockholm. Mr. Warner send in my application for registering in the A. A. U. after I had answered the questions and signed it, and I received my card allowing me to compete in the winter meets and other track sports. I never realized until now what a big mistake I made by keeping it a secret about my ball playing, and I am sorry I did so. I hope I will be partly excused by the fact that I was simply an Indian schoolboy and did not know all about such things. In fact, I did not know that I was doing wrong, because I was doing

I have always liked sport and only played or ran races for the fun of the thing and never to earn money., I have received offers amounting to thousands of dollars since my victories last summer, but I have turned them all very sorry, Mr. Sullivan, to have it all spoiled in this way, and I hope the Amateur Athletic Union and the people will not be too hard in judging me.

DRISCOLL-MORAN TITLE

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call it a draw.

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LONDON, Jan. 28.—The much advertised "grudge" fight between Jem Dristoll. The English featherweight champion, and Owen Moran at the National Sporting Club proved one of the slowest ever fought where a title was at stake. The men toiled twenty long rounds, and at the end of the affair the only thing tieferee Eugene Corri could do was to call it a draw.

The the overwhelming score of twelve victor and one defeat, the New York Turn Verein with junior team sabre championship of the Am they junior team sabre championship of the

the men being given as much as 175 yarde. Harry Smith and Lewis Scott will be on scratch with Kolehmainen. Judging by the list of entries, all the

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A. A. U. Might Change Decisions In Some Famous Contests on Same Evidence Used Against Thorpe.

BY BOZEMAN BULGER.

OR playing summer baseball down in some little Southern League the A. A. U. caught Jim Thorpe, the Indian athlete, red handed and with the goods, although not until the noted redman confessed. Now the famous athlete must return those prizes, medals and honors he won at the Olympic games to a few kings and emperors. A merry time did many of our best known amateurs put in to-day looking up their own amateur standing. Thorpe along with his confession to the A. A. U. threatens to lift the curtain on other per formers, who he says are in the same boat with himself. Now the question is fessional is not at hand, but you can go and bet your sox that the Rocky Mount team on which Thorpe played didn't come within striking distance of the limit

W GRD reaches me that the Boxing Commission, not having box

will postpone its hearing of the Empire A. C., scheduled for to-morrow. This thing of digging up the dope on over for a week. At the culmination of a fellow nearly a year after he has won last week's inquiry, the Boxing Com-mission requested the State's attorney for office. Incidentally it is understood mission requested the States according that the Amateur Athletic Union has to formulate a series of questions that the Amateur Athletic Union has could legally be asked the McMahon just dug up the dope on David when he boys, promoters of the Empire Club, as threw that stone, hammer, discus, shot to their management of the crowd want- or whatever it was, and having found

to their management of the crowd wanting to see the Cross-Rivers bout. Let us hope that the Attorney-General will speedily see his way clear to assist the Boxing Commission in its investigation of the Empire Club, for a case that began with such a noisy display of pyrotechnics shouldn't be allowed to simmer down to ashes without the parties concerned and the sporting public receiving some sort of satisfaction.

They have marked out the blue ribbon record accredited to William Tell, because it was discovered that Bill and his son had been in the apple peddling business for two years before the shot was fired.

In inspection of the A. A. U. files shows an absolute blank whereon should be contrave the name of

in fixing up Thorpe.

As we understand it, amateurs around these parts are allowed good meals and travelling expenses, a thing which Jim never got in the Eastern South Carolina League. "How you want you aigs?" is all he ever got for breakfast, and those individual bowls, like canary bird bath-diagrams was marked off because he had a dollar to throw. We hereby submit a vigorous protest. tubs, in which they served the dinners, were never intended to rob a man of his amateur standing.

GOLIATH GETS DECISION BE-CAUSE DAVID WAS A "PRO."

Jim Thorpe is a professional, but he is the only man ever accused of the cause he had a dollar to throw. We hereby submit a vigorous protest against G. Washington. There is abundant evidence on hand to show that any man who throws money away is a Simon pure amateur—more Simon than pure.

have to engage an army of expert accountants. During his long career Swat Milligan piled up a mass of more than is,95,62 runs, the rule being in vogue, at that time, that a runner could keep scoring. &c. All of these runs must be returned and distributed among the Nettle Rashes, the Garfield Grays. Catfish Shoals, Clogtown Corners, Little Potatoes Hard to Peel and the Dice Inspectors. This work alone will require months, and then will come the reawarding of the pennants. It may turn out that the Poison Oaks never have won a pennant at all and that every fing presented to them will have to be accounted for. accounted for.
Milligan admits having done the writing for The Evening World, but says it
was not so much for the money he got as for encouraging future generations. Swat's diamond studded home run bat is now held by the A. A. U. and marked

Shoppard in Suburban Run. he is the only man ever accused of it in that league. Arthur Deviin, the ex-Giant, says he had been away from there for two years before people ever regarded him as a professional and Frank Smith says the papers sometimes call him an amateur now.

If SWAT MILLIGAN IS DECLARED

Meria Sheppard, the veteran runner of the link-American A. C., ran a remarkable quarter for a mile in a trial spin over the board floor of a mile in a trial spin over the charges against Jim Thorps, there was an important arrival in town last night says the papers sometimes call him an amateur now.

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World's series for The Evening World last fall he has been accused oppofessionalism, and will have to give back all the prizes and encomiums—he hates to turn loose those encomiums—that he won during his twenty years' service in the Willow Swamp League. If well to series to refer the willing to

If guilty, Swat is perfectly willing to begin the process of restitution. If he does this, however, the A. A. U. will have to engage an army of expert ac-

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